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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: SHOWA CORPORATION

Serial Number: 10/636119

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For: BOTTOM VALVE APPARATUS OF HYDRAULIC SHOCK ABSORBER

Attorney Docket Number: 13546

RESPONSE TO THE OFFICIAL ACTION

Hon. Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

11 July 2005

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Official Action dated May 3, 2005 having a statutory period for reply set to expire on August 3, 2005. This response is timely filed on 11 July 2005.

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as shown in the section entitled Claim Amendments.